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## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

In response to the comments in the Office Action mailed March 14, 2000, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the application as follows.

In the claims:

Cancel claims 68 and 69.

1. (Twice amended) A purified and isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleic acid sequence selected from the group consisting of (1) nucleotides 90 -1203 of the porcine nucleic acid sequence depicted in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO: 7), (2) a sequence [corresponding to the sequence of (1) within the scope of the degeneracy of the genetic code] encoding a porcine polypeptide having  $\alpha$ -1,3 galactosyltransferase activity and having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:10, (3) a sequence that [encodes a porcine polypeptide having  $\alpha$ -1,3 galactosyltransferase activity and that hybridizes with a sequence complementary to the sequence of (1) or (2) after a wash at 65°C in a buffer containing 0.1% SDS and not greater than 0.5 x SSC,] encodes a second polypeptide identical to said porcine polypeptide except for one or

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